

The Gant County Fiscal Court met in Special Session on Monday, December 03, 2007, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, Present; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Present; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, Present and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding.

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Judge Link opened in prayer and then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present were: Clark Kinman-Cable TV, Phil Knarr and Chip Simmons with Epperson Waste Disposal. Judge Link announced that Ed Lorenz was not present due to his daughter Trudy in Columbus, Ohio, being in the hospital having his first grandchild and said we wish them the very best and hope to receive good news very soon relating to the birth of the new addition to the Lorenz family. He said that Assistant County Attorney Jack Gatlin was sitting in for Mr. Lorenz and welcomed him to the meeting. He also gave an update on the Additions/Deletions to the Agenda. He said that we would be approving a Claim in the L.G.E.A. Fund and would be Voiding a check in the General Expense Fund which he would explain later. He also said that the first reading of Ordinance No. 11-2007-611 relating to a Sanitation District would be deleted from the Agenda until the next meeting as the County Attorney still has to work out some issues on it, and that will give the Court a chance to review it at the next Caucus meeting.

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Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2007, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the Claims in the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund and L.G.E.A. Fund, for the month of December, 2007, along with the transfers needed to pay said claims. He asked if there were any questions about them. He explained that there was a claim in the General Expense Fund to Giles Farm Machinery for \$5,300.00 for a Recycling Trailer purchased by the 109 Board and said that a check had been issued to them about a month ago but it had the wrong zip code on it and that they have not received it and that we would need to void the original Check later in the meeting.

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to approve Claims No. 01-0683 thru 01-0728 in the amount of \$45,807.88 paid out of the General Expense Fund; Claims No. 02-310 thru 02-333 in the amount of \$84,061.79 paid out of the Road Fund; Claims No. 03-0233 thru 03-0241 in the amount of \$19,713.44 paid out of the Jail Fund and Claim No. 04-0000026 in the amount of \$12,951.30 paid out of the L.G.E.A. Fund, for the month of December, 2007, along with the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link presented the Road Supervisor's Report for November. It is as follows: No action is required. He stated that we have spent about \$34,000.00 in the Road Fund for Salt, Sand and Cinders which has been mixed and we are ready for a White Christmas should we be blessed with one. He also presented the Canine Control Officer's Report for November. It is as follows: No action is required. He said that Jeremy was set up at

Skinner's Furniture Store to adopt out puppies on Saturday during the Santa's Wonderland event but he was not sure how many were adopted. He also presented the Building Inspector's Report for November. It is as follows: No action is required.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval a Resolution of the County of Grant expressing official intent regarding certain capital expenditures to be reimbursed from proceeds of solid waste disposal revenue bonds. It is as follows: Judge Link said these bonds are made available by the Kentucky Economic Development Finance Authority. They make these bonds available and then there are companies and corporations that can make application to receive these bonds but in order to do so they must have a Resolution from the county. This is something we have done from time to time since he has been here and he would like to continue to do so in order to support the businesses and corporations that are interested in making application for these funds.

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Brian Linder it is hereby ordered to approve the Resolution of the County of Grant expressing official intent regarding certain capital expenditures to be reimbursed from proceeds of solid waste disposal revenue bonds as presented.

The following bids were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link requested a Motion to Void Check No. 9386 in the General Expense Fund dated 11-05-07 in the amount of \$5,300.00 payable to Giles Farm Equipment for a Recycling Trailer for the 109 Board due to said check not being received or presented for payment. He explained that a Zip Code number was incorrect on the check and it was

probably sitting in a Post Office Box somewhere and has not been received or returned.

Discussion was held on whether there would be a bank cancellation fee to cancel the check. Judge Link said he does not believe there is a fee and it was explained that we just get the check back and Void it out and it doesn't even go thru the bank at all.

Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Bobby Young it is hereby ordered to Void

Check No. 9386 in the General Expense Fund dated 11-05-07 in the amount of \$5,300.00 to Giles Farm Equipment as requested.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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Judge Link opened up discussion for the 'Good of the County'. He stated that anyone could address the Court at this time. Phil Knarr was present and asked about the permit for a Basement on the Building Inspector's Report. He wanted to know if they have to get another permit to build on up. Judge Link updated that in this case the house was already there and they are doing work within their basement. It is already an existing structure. Mr. Knarr said that he did not understand it to be that way. Judge Link said that is what he assumed was taking place. He has no knowledge of someone just coming in and asking for a permit to build a basement without giving us the entire plan. Mr. Knarr said he knows of several places that have basements, but he doesn't know what they did about going on up with their home. He said you know they moved from out of their basement to structure a home and that was even before there were building permits or anything. He just wondered if you have to have a building permit. Judge Link asked "Just for a basement?". Mr. Knarr said, "No, he already had a Basement". Magistrate Linder said that he believed so. That is what Scottie did to his house. He lived in that underground

basement and they built on and he had to get a permit to put that house on top of the basement. Judge Link said that is why these guys are sitting to his left. Sometimes they answer the question. Judge Link thanked Mr. Knarr for attending and wished a Merry Christmas to him and his family. Magistrate Austin gave a general update on the Santa's Wonderland event held Saturday in Williamstown and said that there were over 750 kids for Breakfast at the School and that there were 32 floats entered in the parade and 23 actually showed up and they had 44 Christmas trees sawed off out of plywood lumber that people decorated. He said there were lots of people in town for the event and said that Rick Skinner and all those involved were very happy with the turnout. He said it was a very cold day but everyone seemed to have a good time and he wanted to thank all of those who volunteered or helped out in any way with this event. Judge Link said that it was very cold but the parade was nice. All of the floats stood out, but the Williamstown High School float specifically, made by the Art Class, had a huge Polar Bear that moved and they put a lot of work and thought and planning into that float and it certainly stood out. Also the float entered by the Epperson Landfill stood out. It was made of what appeared to be all recyclable products. He said that their float had a Christmas tree on it that looked like it was made from Mountain Dew bottles. They were green anyway, they could have been Ale 8 Bottles, but never the less, all recyclable products and it was a pretty impressive float also. There was a lot of children that participated in the Parade and it was very family oriented. We are always proud to offer the Nativity Scene here on the Courthouse lawn which he is sure that some people will scold him tomorrow for saying that publicly, but we are proud of the fact that we continue to honor the real reason for Christmas. It was a good day overall and an event we can build upon and improve.

Magistrate Austin said they even had Freddie Epperson on the Landfill float and he looks like he might have been recycled. Judge Link said there is only one Freddie. Magistrate Austin said that the Salvation Army Kettle Drive is still going on and they need more volunteers to help if anyone would like to donate a couple of hours on the weekend to help with that. Please call him and he will schedule a time for them to work. Judge Link said that the Annual Christmas Tour of Homes will be coming up on Sunday and he encouraged all to go see them. There are some very nice homes entered this year, especially the Hume Home or the Mason Home now. He said you will be very impressed by the Architecture that is involved in the building of that home. This might be a one time event. He encouraged all to get a ticket and make this tour of the Christmas homes. He also updated that the Williamstown Christian Church is doing the “Walk Thru Bethlehem” on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> which is open to all and he encouraged all to come and invited them to come and enjoy the fun, festivities and fellowship that night. He said there would be refreshments, cookies and hot chocolate and there will be live animals, maybe a camel, a Donkey and a few Sheep. No Elephants. He also commended Magistrates Linder and Young for coaching the ball teams and investing in the children of Grant County.

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Judge Link reminded the Fiscal Court that the next Caucus meeting will be on Monday, December 10, 2007, at 5:30 P.M, and that the next meeting of the Fiscal Court will be on Monday, December 17, 2007, at 7:00 P.M.

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Motion of Brian Linder and seconded by Richard Austin it is hereby ordered to Adjourn until Monday, December 17, 2007, at 7:00 P.M.

The following votes were taken: Richard Austin, Magistrate 1<sup>st</sup> District, votes Yes; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2<sup>nd</sup> District, votes Yes; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3<sup>rd</sup> District, votes Yes; and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes Yes.

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